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Title: BACTERIA ATTENUATED BY A NON-REVERTING MUTATION IN EACH OF THE AROC, OMPF AND OMPC GENES, USEFUL AS VACCINES

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Sir:

With regard to the Interview Summary dated August 18, 2004, which was part of the Notice of Allowance, the following is Applicant's statement of the substance of the interview as required by the Examiner:

The undersigned authorized the Examiner to enter amendments which corrected informalities in the specification, typographical errors in claims 7 and 11, clarified that all three genes were mutated in the manner recited in claims 8-9, rejoined claim 16, and canceled claim 12 because it was not directed to the elected subject matter. Applicant does not agree with the Examiner's allegation that claim 16 is the only claim directed to a method of use which is enabled by the specification. In fact, no claim (product or method) has been the subject of an enablement rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, during prosecution of this application. Therefore, there is no basis in the record for concluding that other methods of use (which are not being claimed here) are not enabled by the specification.


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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any further information is required to complete the record of the substance of the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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